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Amend claim 33 as follows:

33. An adhesive postal indicium comprising information indicative of a postage amount printed by a first process;



information indicative of a country printed by the first process; and

cryptographically signed information indicative of an identity of a purchaser of the adhesive postal indicium;

the cryptographically signed information printed by a different process than the first process.

REMARKS

Claim 33 suffered a typographical error due to a bug in the PASAT software. It has been amended to correct the typographical error.

The Examiner has rejected all claims over various combinations of references.